## Update on Tree Planting Partnership

#### Climate Change Committee September 11, 2009



# Tree Planting Partnership

- A "Helping Hand Initiative for 2009"
- Open to Cities or Counties within AQMD jurisdiction
- Employ students; educational component
- California native low biogenic VOC trees
- Oct. Board item for contract awards and reissue announcement

## Overview - Program Announcement

- Opened from June 5 to July 31, 2009
- Outreach
  - Utilized AQMDs e-mail lists
  - AQMD website and AQMD Advisor
  - Publications in newspapers
  - Flyers distributed by staff
  - Two workshops
- Student employment and educational component
- Provides funding toward local funds and/or in-kind support
- Contains list of 52 preferred CA native low biogenic trees
- Received 34 applications from 32 cities.

## **Application Review**

- Applications were reviewed by three AQMD staff
- Evaluations based on:
  - Meeting requirements in Program Announcement
  - 2. \$ per tree
  - 3. Student employment
  - 4. Location
  - \*- Extra points for using drought tolerant trees



#### Recommendation – Award Contracts to the Following Nineteen Cities

CITY	Student Hours	Number of Trees	Amount Requested
ANAHEIM	300	100	\$13,400
BRADBURY	48	40	\$11,589
CATHEDRAL CITY	320	68	\$10,000
COSTA MESA	3996	250	\$60,746
COVINA	2984	100	\$36,427
CULVER CITY	10	49	\$9,135
CULVER CITY	10	55	\$14,975
DOWNEY	1000	790	\$136,126
EL MONTE	3043	250	\$100,000
FULLERTON	180	130	\$19,590
LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE	400	80	\$20,720
MENIFEE	1600	491	\$87,150
MONROVIA	*	50	\$3,346
RANCHO MIRAGE	90	63	\$23,140
RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA	72	25	\$2,944
REDLANDS	200	1000	\$25,000
RIVERSIDE	411	500	\$55,250
SAN DIMAS	60	100	\$12,310
SOUTH EL MONTE	960	120	\$20,000
SOUTH PASADENA	60	124	\$24,852
Total	4,385	15,744	\$686,700

<sup>\*</sup>Six students to be hired, hours not specified.

### Recommendation Cont.

- Award the twenty contracts for an amount not to exceed \$686,700
- Re-Issue Program Announcement for one month
  - Oct 2 to Nov 6, 2009
  - Allow re-submissions and new submissions
- Total not to exceed \$1.5 million from interest earned on 1309.1 Mitigation Fund



#### Additional Outreach

- Eligible cities and counties will be e-mailed
  - Reminder e-mail and flyer
- Staff will advertise announcement at meetings and events
- AQMD website
- AQMD Advisor
- Newspaper notifications
- One applicant workshop
- Staff may be directly contacted to assist cities and counties in the process

